IN THE CLAIMS:

1-44. (Canceled)

45. (Currently Amended) A method for determining an identity of an unknown sampled work, said method comprising:

receiving data of a said unknown sampled work;

segmenting said data of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work into a plurality of segments, said segments having predetermined a predetermined segment size and a predetermined hop size;

creating a plurality of signatures wherein each of <u>the</u> plurality of signatures is a signature of one of said plurality of segments and wherein each of said plurality of signatures is of said predetermined segment size and said predetermined hop size;

comparing said plurality of signatures of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work to a plurality of reference signatures of each of a plurality of reference works wherein said plurality of reference signatures of each of said plurality of reference works are created from a plurality of segments of said each of said plurality of reference works having a known segment size and a known hop size and said predetermined hop size of each of said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work is less than said known hop size; and

<u>identifying determining an identity of said unknown</u> sample work responsive to said comparison of said plurality of signatures of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work to said signatures of said plurality of reference works.

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- 46. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein said act of creating a plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work compromises calculating segment feature vectors for each segment of said sampled work.
- 47. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein said act of creating a plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work comprises includes calculating a plurality of MFCCs for each said segment.
- 48. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein said act of creating a plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work comprises includes calculating a plurality of acoustical features from the group consisting of at least one of loudness, pitch, brightness, bandwidth, spectrum and MFCC coefficients for each said segment.
- 49. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature comprises a plurality of segments and an identification portion.
- 50. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature comprise a segment size of approximately 0.5 to 3 seconds.

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- 51. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 50, wherein said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature comprise a hop size of less than 50% of the segment size.
- 52. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 50, wherein said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature comprise a hop size of approximately 0.1 seconds.
- 53. (Currently Amended) An apparatus that determines an identity of an unknown sampled work, said apparatus comprising:

creating a plurality of signatures wherein each of plurality of signatures is a signature of one of said plurality of segments;

a database to store comparing said plurality of signatures of said sampled work to a plurality of reference signatures of each of a plurality of reference works wherein said plurality of reference signatures of each of said plurality of reference works are created from a plurality of segments of said each of said plurality of reference works having a known segment size and a known hop size, wherein and said predetermined hop size of each of said plurality of segments of said unknown sampled work is less than said known hop size; and

<u>a processor coupled to the database eircuitry configured</u> to receive data of a <u>said</u> <u>unknown</u> sampled work, [[;]] <u>eircuitry configured</u> to segment said data of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work into a plurality of segments wherein each of said segments has <u>a</u> predetermined segment size and a predetermined hop size, [[;]] <u>eircuitry configured</u> to

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create a plurality of signatures of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work based upon said plurality of segments <u>of said unknown sampled work</u>, and wherein each of said plurality of signatures is of said predetermined segment size and said predetermined hop size, [[;]] eircuitry configured to compare said plurality of signatures of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work to a plurality of <u>reference</u> signatures of for each of a plurality of reference works created from a plurality of sample segments of each of said plurality of reference works, each of said plurality of <u>reference</u> signatures of each of said plurality of reference works having a known segment size and a known hop size wherein said predetermined hop size of said each of said plurality of <u>signatures</u> segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work is less than said known hop size, [[;]] and

circuitry configured to determine identify said unknown sampled work is one of said reference works based upon said comparison.

- 54. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 53, wherein said <u>processor</u> eircuitry configured to create a <u>plurality of</u> signatures of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work <u>is further</u> compromises circuitry configured to calculate segment feature vectors for each of said <u>plurality of segments</u> of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work.
- 55. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 53, wherein said <u>processor eircuitry</u> configured to create a <u>plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work is further to includes calculating</u> calculate a plurality of MFCCs for each said segment.

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- 56. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 53, wherein said <u>processor circuitry</u> configured to create a <u>plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work is further includes circuitry configured</u> to calculate one of plurality of acoustical features selected from a group consisting of loudness, pitch, brightness, bandwidth, spectrum and MFCC coefficients for each of said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work[[s]].
- 57. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 53, wherein said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature comprises a plurality of segments and an identification portion.
- 58. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 53, wherein said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work comprise said predetermined segment size of approximately 0.5 to 3 seconds.
- 59. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 58, wherein said predetermined hop size of said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature is less than 50% of the segment size.
- 60. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 58, wherein said predetermined hop size of each of said plurality of segments of said <u>unknown</u> sampled work signature is approximately 0.1 seconds.
- 61. (New) A computer readable storage medium, comprising executable instructions which when executed on a processing system cause the processing system to perform a

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method comprising:

receiving data of an unknown sampled work;

segmenting said data of said unknown sampled work into a plurality of segments, said segments having a predetermined segment size and a predetermined hop size;

creating a plurality of signatures wherein each of the plurality of signatures is a signature of one of said plurality of segments and wherein each of said plurality of signatures is of said predetermined segment size and said predetermined hop size;

comparing said plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work to a plurality of reference signatures of each of a plurality of reference works wherein said plurality of reference signatures of each of said plurality of reference works are created from a plurality of segments of said each of said plurality of reference works having a known segment size and a known hop size and said predetermined hop size of each of said plurality of segments of said unknown sampled work is less than said known hop size; and

identifying said unknown sampled work responsive to said comparison of said plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work to said signatures of said plurality of references works.

62. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 61, wherein said creating a plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work compromises calculating segment feature vectors for each segment of said unknown sampled work.

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- 63. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 61, wherein said creating a plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work comprises calculating a plurality of MFCCs for each said segment.
- 64. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 61, wherein said creating a plurality of signatures of said unknown sampled work comprises calculating a plurality of acoustical features from the group consisting of at least one of loudness, pitch, brightness, bandwidth, spectrum and MFCC coefficients for each said segment.
- 65. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 61, wherein said unknown sampled work signature comprises a plurality of segments and an identification portion.
- 66. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 61, wherein said plurality of segments of said unknown sampled work signature comprises a segment size of approximately 0.5 to 3 seconds.
- 67. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 66, wherein said plurality of segments of said unknown sampled work signature comprise a hop size of less than 50% of the segment size.

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68. (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 66, wherein said plurality of segments of said unknown sampled work signature comprises a hop size of approximately 0.1 seconds.